

**Department of Human Resources  
Division of Health Care Financing & Policy  
Meeting for Public Comment on Review  
Of Nevada Medicaid Services Manual  
April 13, 2004**

**Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Charles Duarte, Administrator, DHCFP

Jennifer Gosney, Las Vegas District Office, Facilitator

John Liveratti, Chief, DHCFP Compliance & SURS

Darrell Faircloth, Deputy AG

Others in attendance are shown on the attached lists.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am by John Liveratti, Chief of the Medicaid Compliance Unit to review changes to the Nevada Medicaid Services Manual Chapters 3100, 600, 1300, 1800, and 100 as indicated in the public meeting notice.

Mr. Liveratti introduced Charles Duarte, Administrator of DHCFP and Darrell Faircloth, Deputy Attorney General, as well as other DHCFP staff assisting with the meeting.

Mr. Liveratti opened the public hearing on Chapter 3100 Hearings.

Chrystal Main, Supervisor, Hearings and Policy Development Unit, read proposed changes to the chapter section 3105.1.a. A copy of the amendments is attached.

Mr. Duarte asked if this is the appropriate place to list HMOs as well as the QIO-like vendor.

Ms. Main responded that she would validate whether the HMOs are covered in the current MSM changes, or listed at the end of the chapter.

Mr. Faircloth indicated the reference to the HMOs would be in another place, in the chapter specific to HMOs.

Public comment was invited. There were no public comments in either Carson City or Las Vegas.

Mr. Liveratti closed the public hearing on Chapter 3100 and moved acceptance and approval of the chapter as amended.

Mr. Duarte accepted the amended chapter subject to a final spelling and grammar check.

Mr. Liveratti opened the public hearing on Chapter 600 Physician Services.

Marti Cotè, DHCFP Program Services Unit, read proposed changes to the chapter section 603.2.c; 603.4.a.1; 603.5; 603.6 and 603.8. A copy of the amendment is attached.

Mr. Duarte asked if the recommended additions are new information.

Ms. Cote responded that the amendments are standard but were not included in the chapter when it was revised.

Public comment was invited. There were no public comments in either Carson City or Las Vegas.

Mr. Liveratti closed the Public Hearing on Chapter 600 and moved acceptance and approval of the chapter as amended.

Mr. Duarte accepted the amended Chapter 600 subject to a final spelling and grammar check.

Mr. Liveratti opened the public hearing on Chapter 1300 Durable Medical Equipment.

Coleen Lawrence, Chief, DHCFP Program Services Unit, read proposed changes to the chapter section 1303.4, Appendix A, and Appendix C. A copy of the amendment is attached.

Public comment was invited. There were no public comments in either Carson City or Las Vegas.

Mr. Liveratti closed the Public Hearing on Chapter 1300 and moved acceptance and approval of the chapter as amended.

Mr. Duarte accepted the amended Chapter 1300 subject to a final spelling and grammar check.

Mr. Liveratti opened the public hearing on Chapter 1800 Adult Day Health Care Services.

Kay Panelli, DHCFP Continuum of Care Unit, read proposed changes to the chapter section 1803.1A and 1803.1D. A copy of the amendment is attached.

Public comment was invited. There were no public comments in either Carson City or Las Vegas.

Mr. Liveratti closed the Public Hearing on Chapter 1800 and moved acceptance and approval of the chapter as amended.

Mr. Duarte accepted the amended Chapter 1800 subject to a final spelling and grammar check.

Mr. Liveratti opened the public hearing on Chapter 100 Eligibility Coverage and Limitations.

Mr. Liveratti stated that the last hearing on this chapter it had been determined that the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) is no longer issuing Temporary Medical Certificates for children placed in emergency shelter care. The amendment language will explain the procedure since those changes occurred. A copy of the amendment is attached.

Public comment was invited.

Scott Mayne of Washoe County Social Services asked that a clear explanation to providers of the children's emergency services be issued so that they will be assured of being paid. It is critical to keeping these services available to the children most in need of the assistance. He requested that Medicaid work with the counties, state agencies, and providers to develop a common form to be used by all entities as required in AB1.

Mr. Duarte inquired if an administrative form and standard approach will achieve the goal of Mr. Mayne's suggestion.

A Clark County Eligibility Services Supervisor from Las Vegas commented there is a great deal of confusion and misinformation within the Nevada Welfare system about how the system has changed.

Mr. Liveratti acknowledged there is a problem and is not sure that the information has been communicated to the Welfare Division, as it appears they are still issuing temporary medical cards. DCFS is the issuing party however since the form is discontinued it should no longer be given.

Mr. Duarte stated he had a conversation with Samantha Constantina of DCFS and her staff on April 12, 2004 in which Ms. Constantina confirmed DCFS was no longer using the cards. He also said there is work to be done in educating the pharmacies about the different system, especially in Clark County.

The representative of Clark County in Las Vegas stated the Aid Code 61 is at issue because Welfare is still giving out the temporary cards, and providers are declining to see the children because they believe they will not be paid. The contact person for Clark County Social Services is Cici Venitez.

Mr. Duarte assured that Medicaid would work with Clark County Social Services to help with this situation.

There were no further public comments in either Carson City or Las Vegas.

Mr. Liveratti closed the Public Hearing on Chapter 100 and moved acceptance and approval of the chapter as amended.

Mr. Duarte accepted the amended Chapter 100 subject to a final spelling and grammar check.

The agenda was completed and the meeting adjourned at 9:35am.

**This meeting was recorded. A written request is required to review the recorded transcript. A duplicated recording can be requested for a nominal fee.**